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J. B. SAWDON,  
Cert. S.I. Board.

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Clerk:

D. TUNE.

To **The Chairman and Members of the Selby Rural District Council.**

Lady and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Eighteenth Annual Report on the health of the Selby Rural District and the work of the Public Health Department during 1964.

113 live births were registered, giving a Birth Rate of 16.4 per thousand population (Adjusted Birth Rate 17.3). The aggregate rate for W.R. Rural Districts was 19.1 and for England and Wales 18.4.

The Infant Mortality Rate was 17.7 (2 deaths). The W.R. Rural Rate was 22.5 and the National Rate 20.0.

78 deaths occurred, giving a Crude Death Rate of 11.3 (Adjusted Death Rate 11.7). The W.R. Rural Rate was 10.0 and the Rate for England and Wales 11.3. Of these deaths 27 (35%) occurred at the age of 75 years or over, and of these 15 were over 80 years of age and 2 over 90. Births exceeded deaths by 35

69 cases of notifiable infectious disease occurred, 53 of these being measles.

The three cases of food poisoning were merely part of an outbreak in Longwood Hospital of 23 cases. Three members of the staff who ate the suspected meal had returned to their homes in the Rural District before they became ill.

This Division took part in the Measles Vaccination Trial in October and November and I am gratified that so many parents accepted my assurance that the vaccination would be both beneficial and harmless and registered their children. About 33% of children eligible were registered. The trial was limited to selected children between the ages of ten months and two years. 148 children were selected by birthday date and received two injections, the others being registered as controls. All have been followed up at quarterly intervals. Over a six months period measles has occurred in this age group as follows:

Children vaccinated	....	....	....	1
Children registered as controls	....	....	....	13
Children not registered	....	....	....	27

At this stage the value of vaccination against measles looks promising.

### **Cancer.**

My remarks in the last Annual Report that the incidence of cancer continued to be well below the national rate received a rude shock in 1964. 24 deaths from malignant neoplasms is the highest recorded, and of these 8 were cancer of the lung. An analysis of these 8 deaths shows this dread killer is no respecter of persons or class: 3 labourers, 2 railway employees, 1 farmer, 1 housewife and 1 semi-skilled worker. This sudden increase is unlikely to be a permanent feature but it makes you think.

It seems appropriate to quote from a small booklet published by the Cancer Information Centre, which exists "not to frighten but to enlighten," a few sentences which have an urgent message for everyone.

"It is tragic that a human should lose his life through lack of information on how to save it; it is even more tragic for him to delay acting on what he knows until it is too late.

Cancer is so common that none of us will go through life without it crossing our path, even if we are lucky enough to avoid a personal collision with it. We must learn to recognise the Seven Danger signals and be aware of the absolute necessity of treatment at the earliest indication of cancerous growth. The Seven Danger Signals are:—

1. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
2. A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere.
3. A sore that does not heal.
4. Change in bowel or bladder habits.
5. Hoarseness or cough.
6. Difficulty in swallowing.
7. Change in a wart or mole.

If your signal lasts more than four weeks, go to your doctor. Usually they are the symptoms of some disorder other than cancer, but they may indicate the presence of a malignant growth.... Following this rule has saved many lives, and some day it may save yours."

### **Mental Health.**

By the end of 1964 the Rawcliffe Training Centre for severely sub-normal patients had reached its overall capacity of 64 patients and plans for considerable extensions are under consideration. Adults are doing regular sub-contract work for County Supplies and are earning up to 7/6 a week incentive money.

In December a Day Social Centre for patients convalescing from psychiatric illness became fully operative in the old school at Snaith and is the first centre of this kind in the West Riding. Here patients can rehabilitate socially and industrially under the guidance of an instructor on their progression from hospital back to full community life. Patients from Goole, Selby and Thorne may attend on the recommendation of the psychiatrists responsible for their treatment.

In conclusion, I record my thanks to the Members and Officers of the Council for their co-operation during 1964.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

S. KENNAUGH APPLETON,

July, 1965.

Medical Officer of Health.



## GENERAL STATISTICS, 1964.

Area of Rural District	....	....	....	33,304 acres
Population (mid 1964)	....	....	....	6,910
Number of Inhabited Houses	....	....	....	2,360
Rateable Value (April 1965)	....	....	....	£136,801
Product of Penny Rate (Est. 1965/66)				£522/0/0

## VITAL STATISTICS

	SELBY R.D.	Aggre- gate West Riding R.D.s	West Riding Admin. County	England and Wales (Provi- sional)
<b>BIRTH RATE</b> (per 1,000 population)	16.4	19.1	18.5	18.4
<b>CRUDE DEATH RATES</b> (per 1,000 population)				
All causes ....	11.3	10.0	11.5	11.3
Infective & Parasitic Diseases	0	0.04	0.04	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis ....	0	0.02	0.05	0.05
Other forms of Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0.01
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis) ....	0.87	1.11	1.37	—
Malignant Neoplasms ....	3.47	1.86	2.02	2.11
Heart and Circulatory Diseases	2.89	3.71	4.37	—
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ....	1.59	1.38	1.74	—
<b>INFANT MORTALITY</b> (Deaths under one year per 1,000 live births)	17.7	22.5	22.2	20.0
<b>STILLBIRTHS</b>	25.9	15.9	17.6	16.3
<b>PERINATAL MORTALITY</b> ....	43.1	28.3	30.0	—
<b>MATERNAL MORTALITY</b> (Deaths of mothers in child- birth per 1,000 total births)	0	0.21	0.40	0.25

### Comparability Factors:

For Births, 1.06.	Adjusted Birth Rate, 17.3.
For Deaths, 1.04.	Adjusted Death Rate, 11.7.

# **BIRTH AND DEATH RATES, 1964** **AND MEAN RATES FOR DICENNIAL PERIODS**

BIRTH RATE = 16.4

(per 1,000 population)

1901-1910	....	....	26.0	1931-1940	....	....	14.5
1911-1920	....	....	22.9	1941-1950	....	....	17.6
1921-1930	....	....	19.6	1951-1960	....	....	14.3

STILLBIRTHS = 25.9

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	34.5
1911-1920	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	30.0
1921-1930	....	....	—	1951-1960	....	....	32.2

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS = 51.7

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	54.7
1911-1920	....	....	65.0	1941-1950	....	....	82.9
1921-1930	....	....	69.8	1951-1960	....	....	61.4

INFANTILE MORTALITY = 17.9

(per 1,000 live births)

1901-1910	....	....	98.3	1931-1940	....	....	41.8
1911-1920	....	....	83.3	1941-1950	....	....	34.5
1921-1930	....	....	68.9	1951-1960	....	....	20.1

NEONATAL MORTALITY = 17.7

(Deaths in first month per 1,000 live births)

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	22.0
1911-1920	....	....	44.7	1941-1950	....	....	18.2
1921-1930	....	....	42.7	1951-1960	....	....	13.8

PERINATAL MORTALITY = 43.1

(Stillbirths and first week deaths per 1,000 total births)

1921-1930	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	44.0
1931-1940	....	....	51.2	1951-1960	....	....	43.5

TOTAL DEATH RATE = 11.3

(per 1,000 population)

1901-1910	....	....	15.6	1931-1940	....	....	12.2
1911-1920	....	....	13.2	1941-1950	....	....	12.0
1921-1930	....	....	12.4	1951-1960	....	....	10.8

## DISEASE OF HEART AND CIRCULATION = 2.89

1901-1910	....	....	1.36	1931-1940	....	....	2.95
1911-1920	....	....	1.51	1941-1950	....	....	3.18
1921-1930	....	....	1.96	1951-1960	....	....	3.37

VASCULAR DISEASES OF CENTRAL NERVOUS  
SYSTEM = 1.59

1901-1910	....	....	—	1931-1940	....	....	0.91
1911-1920	....	....	—	1941-1950	....	....	1.95
1921-1930	....	....	1.25	1951-1960	....	....	1.68

## MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS = 3.47

1901-1910	....	....	1.16	1931-1940	....	....	1.73
1911-1920	....	....	1.04	1941-1950	....	....	1.91
1921-1930	....	....	1.77	1951-1960	....	....	1.78

## RESPIRATORY DISEASES = 0.87

1901-1910	....	....	1.86	1931-1940	....	....	1.28
1911-1920	....	....	1.66	1941-1950	....	....	1.32
1921-1930	....	....	1.60	1951-1960	....	....	1.17

## INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES = 0

1901-1910	....	....	1.17	1931-1940	....	....	0.19
1911-1920	....	....	0.51	1941-1950	....	....	0.05
1921-1930	....	....	0.28	1951-1960	....	....	0.03

## RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS = 0

1901-1910	....	....	0.91	1931-1940	....	....	0.36
1911-1920	....	....	0.68	1941-1950	....	....	0.34
1921-1930	....	....	0.36	1951-1960	....	....	0.06

## NON-RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS = 0

1901-1910	....	....	0.72	1931-1940	....	....	0.12
1911-1920	....	....	0.21	1941-1950	....	....	0.14
1921-1930	....	....	0.16	1951-1960	....	....	0.05

## MATERNAL MORTALITY = 0

(per 1,000 total births)

1901-1910	....	....	1.39	1931-1940	....	....	2.28
1911-1920	....	....	2.17	1941-1950	....	....	1.03
1921-1930	....	....	2.56	1951-1960	....	....	1.85



**BIRTHS, 1964**

			Male	Female	Total
Live Births.—Legitimate	....	....	57	50	107
	Illegitimate	....	2	4	6
			—	—	—
		Total	59	54	113
Stillbirths	....	....	0	3	3

**CAUSES OF DEATH, 1964**

			Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis, respiratory	....	....	0	0	0
Syphilitic disease	....	....	0	0	0
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	....		3	0	3
Malignant neoplasm, lungs, bronchus			7	1	8
Malignant neoplasm, breast	....	....	0	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	....	....	—	2	2
Other malignant neoplasms	....	....	3	7	10
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	....	....	0	0	0
Diabetes	....	....	0	0	0
Vascular lesions, nervous system	....		3	8	11
Coronary disease, angina	....	....	6	3	9
Hypertension with heart disease	....		0	0	0
Other heart disease	....	....	3	3	6
Other circulatory disease	....	....	4	1	5
Influenza	....	....	0	0	0
Pneumonia	....	....	0	1	1
Bronchitis	....	....	3	1	4
Other respiratory diseases	....	....	0	1	1
Ulcer of stomach, duodenum	....	....	2	0	2
Gastritis, enteritis	....	....	0	0	0
Nephritis	....	....	0	1	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	....	....	0	—	0
Pregnancy, childbirth	....	....	—	0	0
Congenital malformations	....	....	1	0	1
Motor vehicle accidents	....	....	3	0	3
All other accidents	....	....	1	1	2
Suicide	....	....	0	0	0
All other causes	....	....	3	5	8
			—	—	—
		Total	42	36	78

**TUBERCULOSIS****New cases in 1964**

					Male	Female	Total
Pulmonary	....	....	....	....	1	0	1
Non-Pulmonary	....	....	....	....	0	0	0
					<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
			Total	....	1	0	1

**Total cases on Register**

Pulmonary	....	....	....	....	14	6	20
Non-Pulmonary	....	....	....	....	3	4	7
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			Total	....	17	10	27

INFANTILE MORTALITY

One infant died from congenital abnormalities, and one from prematurity; both within the first week of life.

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE  
notified during the year 1964

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED							
	At all Ages.	According to Age						
		Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	Over 65
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Food Poisoning ... ..	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Erysipelas ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Paratyphoid Fever B ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Pyrexia ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acute Poliomyelitis, paralytic ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Acute Encephalitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pulmonary Tuberculosis ... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Other forms of Tuberculosis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	53	3	13	36	1	...	...	...
Primary Pneumonia ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Influenzal Pneumonia ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping Cough ... ..	8	1	3	2	1	1	...	...
Dysentery ... ..	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals ... ..	69	4	17	40	2	1	4	1

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948-51

No action was necessary under these Acts.

## WEST RIDING COUNTY DIVISIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN SELBY RURAL DISTRICT, 1964

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The Public Health Nursing Staff in this Division no longer works according to County District boundaries. Most of the figures in the following summaries refer to Selby R.D., but in a few cases the figures are those for the Rural and Urban Districts combined or for Division No. 10 as a whole.

### 1. BIRTHS.

Live Births	....	....	....	....	....	....	107
Stillbirths	....	....	....	....	....	....	3
Illegitimate	....	....	....	....	....	....	6
Males	....	....	....	....	....	....	57
Females	....	....	....	....	....	....	50

### 2. PREMATURE BABIES. Babies weighing 5½ lbs. or less at Birth.

(i)	Born at home	...	....	....	...	Alive	3	
						Stillborn	0	
(ii)	Born in hospital	...	....	....	...	Alive	5	
						Stillborn	0	
							Total	8

### 3. HEALTH VISITING (Division No. 10 as a whole).

		First Visits	Other Visits	Total
Expectant Mothers	....	376	171	547
Children under 1	....	795	3207	4002
Children between 1 and 5		2048	3560	5608
Other cases	....	—	5337	5337
Ineffective visits	....	905	1522	2427
		Total	4124	13797
				17921

### 4. CHILD WELFARE CLINIC.

41 children made 254 visits to Snaith clinic.

103 children made 391 visits to Selby clinic.



## 5. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

Total number attending Paediatric Consultant ....	1
Total number attending County Oculist ....	108
Number ordered Spectacles ....	40
Number attending Speech Therapy ....	4
Total number inspected in School by School M.O.	205
Total number inspected in School by School Nurse	1437
Total number of verminous heads ....	2
Tests for subnormality ....	5
Re-examinations ....	0
Reported to M.D. Authority as ineducable ....	0
Reported to M.D.A. for care and guidance ....	0
Recommended for special schools ....	2
Attending special schools ....	1

The following defects were found at medical inspections:

	Requiring treatment	For ob- servation
Verminous heads ....	2	—
Skin ....	7	2
Vision ....	19	6
Other eye conditions ....	1	1
Hearing ....	18	2
Other ear defects ....	—	—
Nose and throat ....	1	7
Speech ....	3	2
Cervical glands ....	3	1
Heart and circulation ....	—	—
Lungs ....	5	2
Developmental ....	6	3
Orthopaedic ....	1	1
Nervous System ....	1	1
Psychological ....	1	1
Other conditions ....	1	—

## SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE (Division No. 10 as a whole)

Number inspected ....	6133
Requiring treatment ....	3867
Offered treatment ....	3294
Treated ....	1603

## 6. MATERNITY SERVICES.

**Ante-Natal Clinics:**

					Total visits	Mothers attending
Selby	....	....	....	....	34	12
Snaith	....	....	....	....	11	2

**Confined in Hospital:**

Leeds Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	3
York Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	39
Goole Borough Maternity Home	....	....	....	....	11
Others	....	....	....	....	13
					—
				Total	....
					66

**County Midwives.**

There were 49 domiciliary confinements in Selby Rural District.

The following summary of the work of the County Midwives is for Division 10 as a whole:—

Number of Midwives	....	....	8
Number of cases	....	....	374
Number of visits	....	....	11137
Gas and air analgesia	....	....	0
Trilene analgesia	....	....	295

## 7. HOME NURSING (Division 10 as a whole).

Number of Nurses	....	....	6
Number of cases completed	....	....	332
Number of visits	....	....	12179

## 8. HOME HELPS.

Home Helps were employed for 80,272 hours attending cases in the Division.

The following Selby Rural cases were attended:—

Maternity	....	....	....	1
Chronic Sick (Over 65)			....	51
Chronic Sick (Under 65)			....	2
Others	....	....	....	0
				—
			Total	.... 54

## 9. IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA during 1964

Children under 5 years	....	....	....	....	91
Children over 5 years	....	....	....	....	8
					<hr/> 99
Booster doses	....	....	....	....	109
					<hr/> Total 208

Total number of children under 15 years of age who have been immunised up to the 31st December, 1964

Age—Years	0—1	1—4	5—9	10—14	Total Under 15
Number ....	53	297	408	408	1166
Percentage ....	71.3		82.7		79.0

## 10. IMMUNISATION AGAINST WHOOPING COUGH during 1964.

Under 6 months	....	....	....	....	....	37
6 to 12 months	....	....	....	....	....	16
1 to 2 years	....	....	....	....	....	32
2 to 3 years	....	....	....	....	....	3
3 to 4 years	....	....	....	....	....	2
						<hr/> Total 90

## 11. B.C.G. VACCINATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN (13 years of age).

Number of acceptances in 1964	....	33
Pre-vaccination Tuberculin Tests:		
Positive (not requiring vaccination)		0 (0%)
Negative (requiring vaccination)	....	32 (100%)
		<hr/> 32
Number vaccinated with B.C.G.	....	<hr/> 32

## 12. VACCINATION AGAINST POLIOMYELITIS.

Total registered to 31st December, 1964	....	3140
Vaccinated	....	3120

## 13. MENTAL HEALTH.

**Mental Health Act, 1959.**

The number of persons under care and guidance at the end of 1964 was as follows:—

	Male	Female	Total
Psychopathic	0	1	1
Mentally ill	3	10	13
Subnormal	5	2	7
Severely Subnormal	2	3	5

Admissions to Mental Hospitals by the Mental Welfare Officers during 1964 were as follows:—

	Male	Female	Total
Emergency Admission	1	1	2
Admission for Observation	1	2	3
Admission for Treatment	1	—	1
Informal Admission	3	4	7

## 14. MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY 1964.

The Unit did not visit the area this year.



## PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION No. 10

The County Districts forming Division No. 10 are:—

Goole Borough (1,267 acres)	Selby Urban (3,882 acres)
Goole Rural (38,238 acres)	Selby Rural (33,304 acres)
Area of the Division ....	76,692 acres
Population (Estimated mid-1964)	45,060
Census 1961) ....	44,533

### DIVISIONAL HEALTH OFFICE AND STAFF

6/7 Belgravia, Goole. Telephone Goole 936 & 123.

Divisional Medical Officer and Divisional School Medical Officer:

S. KENNAUGH APPLETON, S.B.St.J., M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H., D.T.M.

Senior Assistant County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer:

MURIEL J. LOWE, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.C.H.

Assistant County Medical Officer and School Medical Officer:

EILEEN M. R. BELL-SYER, M.B., B.S.

School Dental Officer:

M. R. HOLLINGS, B.Sc.D., F.D.S.R.C.S.(Eng.)

Divisional Nursing Officer:

Vacant.

Health Visitors and School Nurses:

Mrs. B. BEAL, Miss D. M. BUTLER, Mrs. M. DODSON, Mrs. M. HARGREAVES, Mrs. M. KELLY, Miss A. RIDSDALE, Miss D. M. ROBINSON, Mrs. A. SUTHERLAND (part-time), Mrs. M. E. WILLIAMS (assistant).

Home Nurses:

Mrs. H. B. BEAUMONT, Mrs. S. CLAYBOURN, Mrs. M. LUND, Mrs. W. E. DUFFIN, Mrs. L. A. POLLARD, Mrs. J. SAWDON.

Domiciliary Midwives:

Miss E. CLAYTON, Miss I. CAMPBELL, Miss H. ELLIS, Mrs. D. FRANKLIN, Mrs. M. E. HORNSHAW, Mrs. A. G. HORSFIELD, Mrs. M. M. HUGHES, Miss E. D. LAKING.

Mental Health Officers:

Mr. T. G. FOSTER, Miss M. J. HURLEY.

Rawcliffe Training Centre:

Supervisor: Miss C. S. LOGAN. Staff: Mrs. A. ALVEY, Mrs. E. GOODALL, Mr. R. C. HUNT, Mrs. C. M. LAZENBY, Mrs. E. ROSE, Miss D. STOCKTON.

Speech Therapy:

Miss R. M. ROGERS (Divisions 9, 10 and 11).

Welfare Officer:

Mr. N. SUTCLIFFE.

Clerical:

Senior Clerk: Mr. R. TOWELL.

Miss S. L. BRAMHAM, Mrs. M. E. BRYARS (part-time), Mrs. B. BUCKLE, Miss F. A. CAMPBELL, Mr. J. LAWTON, Mr. G. N. NOWILL, Mrs. M. READSHAW (part-time), Miss J. ROCKETT, Miss J. E. SMAJE.

## REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR 1964

### Water Supply.

Since the regrouping of water undertakings, the Pontefract, Goole and Selby Water Board are the water undertakers for the district. Water is obtained from boreholes in the red sandstone at Brayton Barff and is of excellent quality. Chlorination is carried out at the source and no further treatment is necessary.

One sample was obtained during the year, and the analyst's report was satisfactory both from a bacteriological and a chemical point of view.

Two occupied houses only in the district are not supplied from the public mains, but some groups of houses share a stand pipe in the common yards.

Owing to the greatly increased demand for water, the Board is considering a scheme for improving the supply in certain parishes, although up to the present time no anxiety has been felt in any area in this district.

### Sewerage.

Main sewerage systems have been provided in Barlow, Thorpe Willoughby, and part of Carlton.

Sewage at Barlow is treated at an Ordnance Depot sewage disposal plant by arrangement with the War Department, and the Council maintain disposal plants at Thorpe Willoughby and Carlton.

Schemes are at present proceeding in the parishes of Brayton, Camblesforth and the remainder of Carlton, and will be in operation early in 1965. The Council are to lay all drains within the highway at their own expense, but have so far decided that all drainage work required on private lands must be carried out by the householder at his expense. This will inevitably retard the full benefits of the sewerage schemes, and one wonders if an amendment of a local authority's legal powers is not called for in this connection.

A scheme for main sewerage in the parish of Hambleton is in preparation and it is hoped that work will commence during 1965.

The Council have undertaken cesspool emptying at domestic premises as a rate charge, but make a charge for the services of the vehicle at all other premises.

## **Refuse Collection and Disposal.**

House refuse is collected weekly throughout the district by two motor vehicles and is disposed of by tipping at three Council tips. One tip at Wistow was closed during the year, and a worked-out sand quarry at Gateforth was purchased and is expected to provide tipping space for twenty years.

The Council have made every endeavour to keep the tips in a satisfactory manner, and whilst indiscriminate use of the tips by unauthorised persons may assist in keeping the countryside tidy, the thoughtless way in which these persons deposit their refuse does not make the Council's task any easier.

## **Housing and Public Health Inspections.**

The routine inspection of house property is carried out whenever possible and complaints are investigated without delay.

It has been found possible to effect remedies by a personal visit to the owner or by an informal notice, and it was not necessary to issue any statutory notices during the year.

The Council have granted 44 applications for Standard Grants during the year, the majority of them to owner occupiers.

10 owners have taken advantage of the increased grant of £20 under the Public Health Act to convert existing pail or earth closets into water closets.

Five houses have been demolished during the year, all having been previously represented as unfit and the families rehoused.

Number of houses rendered fit in consequence of						
informal action	....	....	....	....	....	17
Sanitary inspections under Public Health Acts	....	....	....	....	....	36
Inspections for pests	....	....	....	....	....	1290
Housing Inspections	....	....	....	....	....	364
Other Inspections	....	....	....	....	....	123
Shops and Food Premises	....	....	....	....	....	96

## **Food Inspection.**

Food traders have maintained the standard of cleanliness in their shops at a satisfactory level, and it has not been necessary for any action to be taken except for verbal advice.



There are no ice cream manufacturing premises in the district, but a number of traders are licensed to sell pre-packed ice cream.

The four slaughterhouses in the district have all been maintained in a satisfactory manner, and all the food animals slaughtered for human consumption have been inspected, but to achieve this some overtime has to be worked, as all the slaughtering is carried out outside working hours.

The following number of carcasses have been inspected:—

Bullocks and Heifers	....	427
Sheep and Lambs	....	580
Pigs	....	148

No carcase meat was condemned during the year, but a very small amount of liver was affected by liver fluke and by abscesses. Condemned meat and offal is disposed of by incineration in the furnace at Selby Baths.

The very small amount of meat it has been found necessary to condemn indicates the healthy, high-quality animals the butchers in the Rural area are buying for slaughter. For the third year in succession no tuberculosis was discovered in the slaughterhouses.

### **Rodent Control.**

The Council now have 89 contracts with farmers in the district. Treatment is given free to private dwellings, but a charge is made for any work done on business premises. Refuse tips are treated regularly, and no infestation of even medium proportions has been discovered during the year.

### **New Housing.**

New houses have been erected or are in course of erection within the district as follows:—

<b>By Council</b>		<b>By Private Developers</b>	
Completed	In course of erection	Completed	In course of erection
Nil	4	114	76



# **FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959**

## **Part I.—Inspections.**

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
Factories in which Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by L.A.s	1	2	0	0
Factories not included above in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s	16	21	0	0
Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by L.A.s ....	0	0	0	0
Total	17	23	0	0

## **Part I.—Defects.**

Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to HMI	Referred by HMI	Prosecutions instituted
Want of cleanliness (S.1) ....	0	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2) ....	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4) ....	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) ....	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary conveniences insufficient, unsuitable or defective (S.7) ....	2	2	0	0	0
Other offences ....	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	2	0	0	0

## **Part VIII Outworkers.—Nil.**

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